Per Capita Income

†*71. SHRI BARJINDER SINGH HAMDARD:
SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the per capita income has constantly increased due to increase in the pace of growth in the country;

(b) if so, what was the per capita income in the country at the end of the Seventies, Eighties and Ninties; and

(c) to what extent it is less than per capita income at the international level?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF STATISTICS & PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS AND PUBLIC GRIEVANCES IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE): (a) Per Capita Income from 1970-71 onwards has been increasing barring few years, namely, 19971-72, 1972-73, 1974-75, 1976-77, 1979-80, 1982-83 and 1991-92. Details are given in Statement-I, which is annexed.

(b) The relevant figures are provided in Statement-II, which is annexed.

(c) Comparable figures for India and other countries are furnished in Statement-III, which is annexed.

Statement-I

Growth Rate in Per Capita Income at 1993-94 prices

Year	Growth Rate in the Per Capita Income
1970-71	2.8
1971-72	-1.8
1972-73	-3.1
1973-74	2.6
1974-75	-0.9
1975-76	7.0
1976-77	-1.3
1977-78	5.3
1978-79	3.3
1979-80	-8.2
1980-81	5.1
1981-82	3.8
1982-83	-0.1

†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.

Year	Growth Rate in the Per Capita Income
1983-84	5.9
1984-85	1.2
1985-86	1.7
1986-87	1.6
1987-88	1.6
1988-89	8.3
1989-90	4.8
1990-91	3.0
1991-92	-2.1
1992-93	3.1
1993-94	4.2
1994-95	5.8
1995-96	5.5
1996-97	6.3
1997-98*	3.0
1998-99**	4.2

* Quick estimates

** Update of Advance estimates

Statement-II

Estimates of Per Capita Income
(At 1993-94 prices)

Year	Per Capita Income (Rs.)
1979-80	5241*
1989-90	7293*
1998-99	10070

* Have been derived using the growth rates as observed in net national product of 1980-81 series.

Reduction in retirement age of Government Employees

*72. SHRI S. AGNIRAJ: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are contemplating to reduce the retirement age of Central Government employees from 60 to 58 years;

(b) if so, by when it is likely to be implemented;

(c) what will be the modalities adopted for this scheme; and

(d) what will be the overall impact on employment situation in this way?